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PREPARATIONS FOR THE 1987 ECONOMIC SUMMIT (U)

This Directive clarifies the responsibilities of various agencies
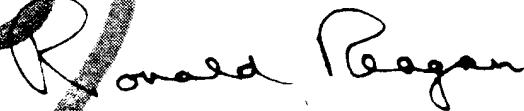in preparing for the 1987 Economic Summit meeting in Venice. (U)

I.   Preparations with Other Governments - "Sherpa" Team

I have redesignated Allen Wallis, Under Secretary of State
for Economic Affairs, to be my Personal Representative for
the preparation of policy aspects of the Summit meeting.
Together with Stephen Danzansky, Senior Director of the
National Security Council's International Economic Affairs
staff, and David Mulford, Assistant Secretary for Interna-
tional Affairs, Department of the Treasury, he will direct
the overall preparations for the Summit. (C)

II. Preparations within the U.S. Government

The President's Personal Representative will coordinate
interagency preparations for the Economic Summit through the
organization of appropriate Working Groups at the Under
Secretary level from the Vice President's office, the
Departments of Treasury, Defense, Agriculture, Energy, CIA,
USTR, NSC and CEA, the preparation of necessary briefing
materials and the coordination of U.S. participation in
other international meetings where Summit issues will be
discussed. (C)

In carrying out his responsibilities for the Summit, the
President's Personal Representative will report directly to
the White House Summit Group (WHSG), jointly chaired by
Donald Regan, Chief of Staff to the President and Vice
Admiral Poindexter, Assistant to the President for National
Security Affairs. The White House Summit Group will have
primary responsibility for all matters relating to the
Summit and will provide recommendations to me for decisions.
These recommendations may be reviewed, as necessary, by the
National Security Council and the Economic Policy Council.
(C)

Ronald Reagan

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